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REMARKS

The above-captioned application is involved in Interference No. 102,822 with U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 693,866 of Chang et al.

Amended claim 59 differs from original claim 59 only in that, instead of depending on claim 30, it is now written in independent form. Thus, amended claim 59 provides the same patentable invention as did original claim 59.

Claim 59 is supported by applicants' specification in the following:

Additional feature of the envelope protein coded by the env genes appear on figs. 13-18. These are to be considered as paired figs. 13 and 14; 15 and 16; 17 and 18, respectively.

Alizon et al. involved application S.N. 158,652 at page 10, line 13 to line 26. See also page 4, lines 8-11, Figures 13-18. In fact, the specific nucleotide sequence of claim 59 is set forth in original claim 5(d):

Peptide corresponding to any of those encoded by the nucleotide sequence which extends respectively between the following positions:

d) from about 6485 to about 6620.

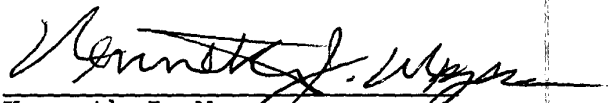
Since claim 59 is fully supported by applicants' disclosure and does not introduce any new matter, applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.633(c)(2), 1.637(c)(2), and 1.115.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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